

**MINUTES OF COMBINED BONDI BEACH AND BONDI PRECINCTS MEETING
MONDAY 6 JUNE 2016, 7:00-9:00 PM, OCEAN ROOM, BONDI PAVILION**

Chair: Lenore Kulakauskas
Meeting Opened 7:05

1. Welcome and apologies

We acknowledge this land as the traditional lands of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People of Australia, and specifically the Kadigal people, who traditionally occupied the Sydney Coast. We respect their spiritual relationship to Country and acknowledge the Aboriginal Elders both past and present.

Apologies: Councillor John Wakefield, Councillor Dominic Wy Kanak, Richard McPhillamy.
Councillor Joy Clayton attended the meeting from 7:50pm

2. Minutes of previous meetings

Moved that the Minutes of the 18 April 2016 meeting be accepted.
Proposed: Brad Cole.
Seconded: Lenore Kulakauskas.
Minutes accepted - unanimous.

3. Business arising

Lenore reported on council responses to previous committee motions raised at the Precinct meeting on 18 April 2016. Regarding Motion 2 from the 18 April meeting - see new Motion 2 below. Regarding Motion 4 from the 18 April meeting. **ACTION:** Lenore to ask Ray if he wants to respond to Council's response.

MOTION 1: That Bondi Beach and Bondi Precinct Committees express their dissatisfaction with the response to motion 2 passed at our 18 April 2016 meeting and subsequently presented to Council, in that a key purpose of Precinct Committees is to provide Council, as a democratically elected body, with the opinions and concerns of the local community, and that the response from Council fail to respect those opinions and concerns, and reiterate our request that this motion be properly addressed by Council.

Proposed: Paul Paech
Seconded: Eamon O'Kan
Passed - unanimous

4. Bondi Beach as a National Surfing Reserve

John Sullivan informed the meeting about an initiative to have Bondi Beach declared as a National Surfing Reserve as well as the process for this to take place.

So far the initiative has received support from Waverley Council, Gabrielle Upton MP, Bondi Beach Chamber of Commerce. Malcolm Turnbull MP has not yet been approached but it is anticipated he will support the proposal given he is a member of North Bondi Surf Club.

MOTION 2: That the Bondi Beach and Bondi Precinct Committees support the initiative to have Bondi Beach declared as a national surfing reserve.

Proposed: Eamon O'Kane.
Seconded: Marilyn Tanner
Passed - unanimously

ACTION: Lenore to circulate a link to the video "Corner the Waves" on the Precinct Facebook page.

5. Bondi Pavilion Upgrade – update

Lenore gave background to the Pavilion upgrade. She suggested that the Precinct Committee could establish a subcommittee to undertake various workshops on prospective uses for Bondi Pavilion and showed a PowerPoint presentation including:

Bondi Pavilion workshop 1 - a creative hub + startup incubator
Bondi Pavilion workshop 2 - The Bondi Story Room
Bondi Pavilion workshop 3 - Community spaces - new ideas for old buildings
Bondi Pavilion workshop 4 - Aboriginal presence in the pavilion
Bondi Pavilion workshop 5 - Theatre and film e.g. La Mama in Melbourne model

MOVED that Bondi Beach Precinct establish a sub-committee to develop and implement workshops on prospective uses for Bondi Pavilion.

Proposer: Lenore,
Seconder Paul Paech.
Passed unanimously.

Eamon O’Kane, Rick Harasty, Paul Paech, John Macarthur and Lenore Kulakauskas subsequently volunteered to form the sub-committee.

Establishment of a Bondi Pavilion trust was discussed. An unsuccessful motion was put to the May Council meeting regarding establishment of a Bondi Pavilion trust. Councillor Clayton suggested putting another motion to Council or contacting Cathy Henderson at Council to ask how the precinct should go about this.

MOTION 3:

1. That Council investigates a range of different Trust or similar models which may be suitable for application to the Bondi Pavilion.
2. As part of the investigations, consideration be given to the Trust managing the Bondi Pavilion in co-operation with Waverley Council or any new amalgamated entity.
3. Investigations should include consideration of community membership on the Board of the Trust.

Proposer Gabi Tobias,
Seconder: Eamon O’Kane
Voting - unanimous

ACTIONS:

Eamon to look into establishment of a trust using the centennial parklands model
Lenore to contact Cathy.

6. Merger of Randwick-Waverley-Woollahra update

- legal actions taken by various councils against amalgamations
- Poll on mergers - Waverley passed then rescinded, Randwick voted against
- Protest action at Marrickville and country newly merged councils

MOTION 4: That Bondi Beach and Bondi Precinct Committees, recognising the fundamental principle of democratic societies to demand representation together with taxation, explores the possibility of Waverley ratepayers refusing to pay their rates should they lose representation as a result of the State government proposed amalgamations.

Proposed: Paul Paech,
Seconder Mr Kapievich.
Votes: For 6, Against 3

ACTION: **Paul Paech** to explore

MOTION 5: That Bondi Beach and Bondi Precinct Committees request Waverley councillors to raise a motion at the council meeting on 21 June 2016 requesting that, in the event of an amalgamation, the Administrator will continue to support the precinct system in its current form.

Proposer: Lenore,
Seconder: Gabi.

Passed unanimously

7. Wellington Street tennis court development update

Gabi Tobias provided an update to the meeting regarding the Development Application for a synagogue and high density dwellings in the Wellington Street tennis court area. Bondi Beach and Bondi Precinct Committees have lodged an objection to the development.

RATIFICATION of the Bondi Beach and Bondi Precinct Committees objection to the Wellington St tennis court proposed.

Proposer: Lenore,

Secunder: Gabi.

Passed unanimous.

8. Events on the beach update

Lenore advised the meeting there will be camel rides on the beach later in June and the response reports reply as to not charging these people to use the beach discussed. Council has invited the camel operators to use the beach for free and charge people for the rides. Council make no money from this event.

Justification: it brings people to the beach in winter and supports local retail outlets – this claim has not been backed up with hard evidence.

9. DA's update

Update on objection to pub in the Pacific Bondi development - Lenore addressed the Land and Environment Court hearing on site.

Bavarian Bier Cafe footpath seating renewal application – objection lodged with Council noting the current seating set-up does not comply with the previously approved configuration.

10. Petitions policy – new

Council has updated its petitions policy as at April 2016. See

http://www.waverley.nsw.gov.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0015/10338/Petitions_Policy_adopted_April_2016.pdf

11. Noise in residential areas

Mr Kapievich advised that some of the units in his strata building at 58 Campbell Parade are being used for short term tourist rentals.

ACTION: Lenore to contact Mark Featherstone re compliance issues.

12. General business

Trial of neighbour delivery of parcels

Darren from *TrustMile* addressed the meeting. *TrustMile* deals with problems faced by online shoppers e.g where a courier leaves a card rather than drops off. Trust Mile are seeking community participation in a Bondi trial of neighbour delivery of parcels through an app used by the courier. They are looking for willing neighbours to participate in a delivery trial.

www.trustmile.com/ilovebondi

www.facebook.com/LoveYourNeighbours/

Toilet block at North Bondi

ACTION: Lenore to send Cr Clayton an email asking for information on opening of North Bondi toilet block and whether or not a new toilet block will be built at Biddigal reserve. Also details about the proposed boardwalk at South Bondi.

Picnic Shelters

Councillor Clayton advised five larger picnic shelters will be rebuilt.

MOTION 6: That Bondi and Bondi Beach Precinct expresses its appreciation towards the three ward councillors, John Wakefield, Dominic Wy Kanak and Joy Clayton in representing the clear views of Bondi Beach residents in recent votes in Waverley Council regarding the Bondi Pavilion upgrade. Proposer Paul Paech.

Secunder: Rick.

Passed unanimously.

MOTION 7: That Bondi and Bondi Beach Precinct Committees endorses the decision of Waverley Council to fly the rainbow flag on Bondi Pavilion and council chambers until Australia achieves marriage equality.

Proposed: Paul Paech,

Secundered: Lenore.

Passed unanimously.

Meet the federal election candidates

Lenore advised a Meet the Candidates meeting still being organised. It appears Malcolm Turnbull will be unable to attend on any date so the meeting will proceed with the other candidates. An invitation will of course be extended to Malcolm Turnbull.

Residential parking

One resident spoke about his dissatisfaction with the council residential parking scheme, especially area 8.

ACTION: Lenore to request booklet from council on residential parking scheme. This will be available at the next precinct meeting.

Meeting closed 9:15